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Serial No: not yet assigned

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For: TAZAROTENE AND CORTICOSTEROID
TREATMENT FOR PSORIASIS

Group Art Unit: Not yet
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(Parent Group Art Unit: 1616)

Examiner: Not yet assigned
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER**FILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) and 1.78(a)**

Mail Stop: Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and 1.78(a), of pending prior parent United States Patent Application serial number 09/367,712, filed August 18, 1999, which was a national stage application of PCT/US98/03355, filed February 20, 1998, which claimed priority to United States Provisional Patent Application 30/03915, filed on February 27, 1997 for **TAZAROTENE AND CORTICOSTEROID TREATMENT FOR PSORIASIS**.

1. Statement that the Enclosed is a True Copy of the Prior Application as Filed:

The undersigned hereby verifies that the attached papers are a true copy of what is shown in my records to be the above-identified prior "Parent" application, United States Patent Application serial number 09/367,712, filed August 18, 1999.

The enclosed copy of the prior "parent" application includes the following:

- a. Specification (13 pgs);
 - b. Claims (2 pgs);
 - c. Abstract (1 pg);
 - d. Drawings (2 sheets);
 - e. Declaration and Power of Attorney as filed (executed, 3 pgs)
2. Application Data Sheet – 3 pgs.



3. Assignment

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the assignment documents from the parent case (28 pages).

4. Fee Calculation

CLAIMS AS FILED

| Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee | \$770.00 |
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| | | | | \$ |
| Total Claims | 11 | 0 | \$18 | \$0 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | 0 | \$86 | \$0 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | | | | \$0 |
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5. Fee Payment

Please charge to Deposit Account No. 01-0885 for all filing fees indicated above, as well as for any discrepancies that may occur.

6. Preliminary Amendment – 5 pgs7. Duty of Disclosure

Applicant submits herewith an Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) and forms PTO 1449 (2 pages).

8. Postcard Receipt

Applicant submits herewith a Return/Stamped Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and Continuation Application and the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on **April 7, 2004** in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" mailing label number **EV193721147US** with sufficient postage for Express Mail addressed to Mail Stop: Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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